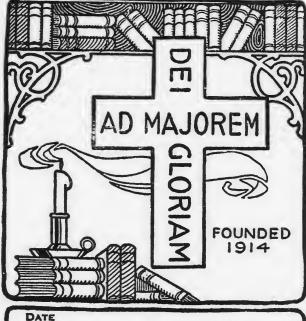
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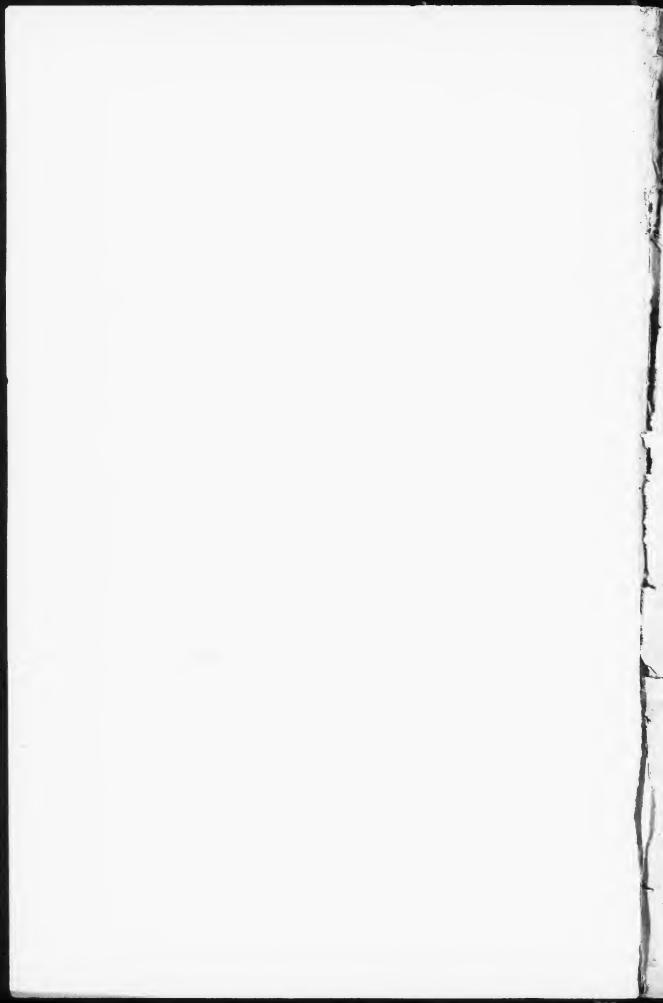


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THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF

White River Annual Conference

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church, South, &

HELD IN

Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, December 2-6, 1903.

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1903.

The White River Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in its thirty-fourth session in the Court House in the city of Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, at 9:30 a. m., December 2, 1903, Bishop E. E. Hoss presiding and conducting the opening religious services, using as an opening hymn number 228, and reading Matthew xi: 1-11. and making some very helpful comments on the same.

Z. T. Bennett, secretary of the last Conference, called the roll and the following members were found present:

CLERICAL: Henry T. Gregory, William M. Watson, John F. Armstrong, Zachary T. Bennett, James F. Jernigan, Samuel L. Cochran, Milton B. Umsted, Alonzo C. Griffin, Nicholas E. Skinner, Matthew M. Smith, Franklin R. Noe, Francis A. Jeffett, Stephen D. Evans, James R. Edwards, Alex M. R. Branson, R. H. Grissett, P. B. Wallis, Thomas B. Williamson, Ellison M. Davis, Francis M. Smith, A. C. Graham, R. C. Morehead, Frank Barrett, N. E. Gardner, H. E. May, W. D. Ellis, F. C. Sterling, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holing, T. A. Bowen, W. C. Toombs, W. F. Walker, J. K.

loway, W. C. Davidson, A. F. Skinner, W. E. Hall, J. M. Thrasher, George Wilkerson, Fred Little FH. H. Hunt, H. B. Cox, T. J. Taylor, T. W. Fisackerly, W. M. Wilson, W. P. Talkington, W. S. Southworth, W. B. Hays, W. T. Locke, W. F. Rhew, J. D. Kelley, J. T. Self, A. C. Cloyes, J. W. Smith, H. V. Johnson, Isaac E. Thomas, Sidney H. Babcock, Jr., F. E. Taylor, J. S. Watson, J. D. Sibert, William A. Lindsey, Robert A. Robertson, Frank P. Jernigan, and I. D. McClure.

LAY: Jonesboro District: A. L. Malone, H. T, Blythe, L. P. Paragould District: J. W. Coffman, F. Fain, L. P. Batesville District: A. J. Hogan.

Z. T. Bennett was re-elected secretary and upon his nomination, W. Wilson, S. H. Babcock, F. M. Daniel, N. E. Skinner and H. B. Cox were elected assistant secretaries.

On nomination of the Presiding Elders the following committees were

elected:

Public Worship—T. W. Fisackerly, M. B. Umsted, W. A. Cunningham.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS—H. B. Cox, W. E. Hall, A. F. Skinner, T. A. Bowen, T. J. Taylor.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS—M. F. Collier, E. L. Gatewood,

I. E. Thomas, F. C. Sterling, W. P. Talkington.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—R. C. Moorehead, S. L. Cochran, Frank
Barrett, C. H. Newman, A. M. R. Branson.

SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CHURCH—J. F. Jernigan, H. E. May, R.

J. Cook, George Wilkerson, J. T. Self.

TEMPERANCE—N. E. Gardner, S. E. Ebbert, A. C. Carter, A. C. Griffin, H. T. Blythe, R. H. Grissett, J. J. Mardis.

By vote of the Conference it was decided to meet at 9 a. m., and adjourn at 12 m., and the bar of the Conference was fixed to extend to the front part of the back-side door.

Various communications were referred to the proper Boards and Com-

Dr. W. R. Lambuth, Senior Missionary Secretary, Dr. A. J. Lamar, Junior Book Agent, Dr. H. G. Henderson, transferred to us from the St. Louis Conference, Rev. A. F. W. Walters, transferred to us from the Pacific Conference, Rev. I. O. Siler, pastor of the Baptist Church of the city, and Rev. George Brinsfield, local preacher 103 years of age, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion Z. T. Bennett was elected to edit and publish the minutes. UNDER QUESTION 20, the names of W. C. Davidson, M. M. Smith, M. B. Umsted, W. B. Hays, J. D. Sibert, Presiding Elders, were called,

they reported their charges, and their characters were passed.

After the name of M. M. Smith was called Brother J. W. Smith in behalf of the preachers of the Searcy District, presented him with a handsome gold watch and two sets of silver spoons. Z. T. Bennett presented W. B. Hays a valuable gift from friends in Batesville.

Dr. W. R. Lambuth addressed the Conference in behalf of our Mis-

sionary interests.

Under question 19 it was announced that Brothers J. J. Alexander, R.

M. Manly, S. H. Babcock, and E. H. Wallis had died during the year.

Under Question 20 the names of F. M. Smith, W. B. Ricks, S. L.
Cochran, F. A. Jeffett, W. P. Talkington, J. K. Farris, F. E. Taylor, Fred
Little, H. B. Cox, W. S. Southworth, A. M. R. Branson, N. E. Skinner,
J. T. Self, Z. D. Lindsey, W. D. Ellis, T. J. Taylor, J. R. Edwards, R. A.
Holloway and F. C. Sterling were called, they reported their charges and their characters were passed.

The name of Elton Wilson was called and his Presiding Elder announced that he had left our Church and his name was ordered stricken from the roll.

The names of W. H. Dyer, G. G. Davidson and S. F. Brown were call-

ed and their characters passed.

Under question 20 the names of J. D. Rutledge, G. A. Dannelly, T. J. Settle, J. F. Armstrong, W. R. Foster, W. W. Anderson, S. D. Evans, W. A. Pendergrass, were called, their characters passed, and they were referred to the committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate re-

The names of E. N. Bickley and T. B. Williamson were called, their characters passed, and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that Rev. F. E. Taylor would preach at 3 p. m. and Dr. H. G. Henderson at 7:30 p. m.

After various other announcements the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Hoss.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1903.

Conference was called to order at 9 a. m. by Bishop E. E. Hoss, and Dr. J. H. Riggin of the Little Rock Conference conducted the opening devotional services.

Dr. Riggin was introduced to the Conference.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The names of the members who were not present yesterday were called and the following answered to their names:

CLERICAL: Z. D. Lindsey, S. F. Brown, G. S. Morehead, and J. C.

Brown,

LAY: Jonesboro District: J. J. Mardis, Eugene Parrish. Paragould District: M. F. Collier.

Dr. J. D. Hammond, secretary of the Board of Education, Dr. C. C. Godden, president of Galloway College, Dr. J. E. Godbey, editor of the Arkansas Methodist, Rev. C. P. Browning, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of the city, and Rev. J. A. Smith, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of the city, was introduced to the Conference Church of the city. byterian Church of the city, were introduced to the Conference.

Several communications were referred to the proper boards. Under Question 20 the names of Frank Barrett, P. B. Wallis, W. M. Wilson, J. F. Jernigan, J. M. Talkington, E. M. Davis, A. C. Griffin, H. T. Gregory, F. R. Noe, A. F. Skinner, N. E. Gardner, J. W. Smith, R. C. Morehead, W. F. Walker, H. E. May, W. M. Watson, W. E. Hall. H. V. Johnson, T. W. Fisackerly and J. C. Brown were called. They reported their charges and their charges. ed their charges, and their characters were passed.

The name of J. C. Brown was referred to the committee on Conference

Relations for the supernumerary relation.

Dr. A. J. Lamar addressed the Conference in the interest of the Publishing House.

Dr. C. C. Godden spoke in behalf of Galloway College.

Dr. J. D. Hammond represented the cause of Christian Education. The committee on Public Worship announced that Dr. A. J. Lamar would preach at 3 p. m. and that Dr. J. D. Hammond and Rev. S. Anderson would speak at an an educational mass meeting at 7:30 p. m.

Bishop Hoss announced that tomorrow at 11 a. m. the class for admis-

sion into full connection would be received.

The Conference adjourned with benediction by Dr. C. C. Godden.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1909.

Conference was called to order at 9 a. m. by Bishop Hoss and after a prayer by Brother J. M. Hawley, the Bishop gave some very helpful comments on the lesson from Romans 12:1,2.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved. On motion it was agreed to defer further calling of the roll.

A. C. Carter, delegate from Helena District, Harmon Forrest, delegate from the Batesville District, and E. L. Gatewood, delegate from Searcy District, were announced present.

Greetings were received from Hon. R. B. Macon and Rev. J. S.

Brooke.

Under question 20 the name of S. W. Register was called and his name was referred to the committee on Conference Relations for the superannu-

The names of A. C. Graham, W. C. Toombs, A. C. Cloyes, W. T. Locke, A. E. Holloway, J. M. Thrasher, H. H. Hunt, Z. T. Bennett, J. S. Watson, T. A. Bowen, R. H. Grissett, and George Wilkerson were called, they reported their charges, and their characters were passed.

Rev. T. O. Rorie, agent for the Arkahsas Methodist Orphanage, J. M. Hawley, a member of the Little Rock Conference, Rev. J. C. L. Boehm, Presiding Elder of the West Plains District of the St. Louis Con-

ference, were introduced to the Conference.

Under Question 1, Henry Smith, recommended by the Helena District; Edgar A. Blanton, recommended by the Jonesboro District: John E. Kemper, and John McKelvey, recommended by the Paragould District; and Jas. G, Parker, recommended by the Batesville District, were admitted on trial.

Under Question 2 the names of C. W. Lester and J. W. Thomas were called, they reported their charges, their characters passed, and having stood approved examinations they were advanced to the class of the sec-

ond year. The name of D. H. Conyers was called, he reported his charge, his character passed, and not having been before the examining committee

he was continued in the class of the first year.

Under Question 6, it was announced that Cadesman Pope from the Little Rock Conference, H. G. Henderson from the St. Louis Conference, C. P. Smith from the Arkansas Conference, and S. F. Brown from the Little Rock Conference. were transferred to this Conference.

Under Question 4, the names of Wilbur Love Oliver and James H. Griffin were called, they reported their charges, their characters passed, and they were received into full connection after answering the usual disciplinary questions, propounded during a very able address by the Rishop.

Under question 4, the names of C. H. Newman and C. L. Castlebery

were called, their characters were passed, and they were continued in the class of the second year.

Under question 8, Wilbur Love Oliver and James Henry Griffin were

elected deacons. Under question 20, the name of K. R. Durham was called and his Presiding Elder stated that at the last Annual Conference his name was referred to him, and that the charges against him had been investigated, and

that the committee now presented an indictment.

The following trial committee was appointed: A. M. R. Branson, chairman; H. B. Cox, secretary; F. R. Noe, Frank Barrett, A. F. Skinner, S. F. Brown, S. L. Cochran, J. R. Edwards, A. C. Graham, W. F. Walker,

E. M. Davis, J. T. Self.

A resolution introduced by M. M. Smith concerning the consolidation of the three Conferences of the State was made a special order for 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

On motion it was decided that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet

at 2:30 this afternoon.

Rev. D. J. Weems, agent of Galloway College, was introduced to the Conference.

President Anderson of Hendrix College spoke with reference to recom-

mendations to be made by the Board of Education.

After various announcements the Conference adjourned with benediction by D. J. Weems.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 2:30 p. m. and Dr. J. E. Godbey conducted the opening devotional services.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Under Question 7. the names of W. A. Lindsey, Robert A. Robertson I. D. McClure and F. P. Jernigan were called, they reported their charges, their characters passed, and they were continued in the class of the third year.

The name of I. E. Thomas was called, he reported his charge, his character was passed, and having stood an approved examination, he was

advanced to the fourth year,

Under Question 10, John W. Thomas, recommended by the Helena District Conference; Charles Wesley Lester, recommended by the Helena District Conference; John P. Biggers, recommended by the Paragould District Conference; and Benjamin A. Philips, recommended by the Jones-

boro District Conference, local preachers, were elected deacons.

Under Question 12, the names of S. H. Babcock and G. S. Morehead were called, they reported their charges, their characters were passed, and

having stood approved examinations, they were elected to elder's orders.

The names of W. W. Gibson, J. D. Kelley, and W. F. Rhew were called, they reported their charges, their characters were passed, and not having been before the examining committee they were continued in the class of the fourth year.

On motion it was decided to hold the memorial services at 3 o'clock

Sunday afternoon.

The Committee on District Conference Journals made its report and

it was adopted.

A recommendation from the Paragould District Conference for the restoration of the credentials of L. C. Craig was presented, but not being in regular form it was not considered.

The Committee in the case of K. R. Durham reported as follows:

"We, your Committee appointed to try the case of K. R. Durham, who is under charges of immorality, submit the following report: "After mature deliberation, we, the Committee, find K. R. Durham guilty as charged and expel him from the ministry and the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

A. M. R. Branson, Chairman; H. B. Cox, Secretary; F. R. Noe, A. F. SKINNER, S. F. BROWN, J. R. EDWARDS, A. C. GRAHAM, S. L. COCHRAN, FRANK BARRETT, E. M. DAVIS, J. T. SELF, Committee.

Question 45 was called and Augusta was selected as the place of meet-

ing for the next session of the Annual Conference.

On motion the Conference adjourned, and was dismissed with benediction by Bishop Hoss.

FOURTH DAY-MORNING SESSION-DEC. 5, 1903.

Conference was called to order at 9 a. m., and the opening religious services were conducted by J. W. Smith.

The minutes of yesterday's afternoon session were read and approved. The report of the Statistical Secretary was received. Disciplinary questions 21 to 43 inclusive with the exception of 29, were answered.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the following resolution, introduced yesterday by M. M. Smith, was discussed at some length: Resolved, "That it is the sense of the White River Conference, that the best interest of Methodism in Arkansas demands a readjustment of our Conference lines so as to make two Conferences instead of three.

Second, that a commission of three be appointed to meet with a like commission from each of the other Conferences, whose duty it shall be to recommend to this Conference at its next session such boundary lines as shall make the two Conferences, as nearly as possible, of equal strength. M. M. SMITH, W. B. HAYS, J. D. SIBERT.

The Resolution failed to pass.

The Report of the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage was received. motion Fred Little was elected to succeed W. B. Ricks on the Orphanage Board. On motion it was decided to meet again in Conference session at 2:30 this afternoon. After several announcements the Conference adjourned with benediction by M. M. Smith.

FOURTH DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 2:30 by Bishop Hoss; after singing hymn 498 Bro. Frank Barrett led the prayer.

Minutes of morning session were read and approved.

The report of Joint Board of Finance was received and adopted.

The Committee on Conference Relations made its report and it was

Rev. T. O. Rorie, agent for the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage, spoke in behalf of that institution, and collected \$181.35 in cash and subscrip-

On motion an auditing committee was appointed, composed of T. W.

Fisackerly, M. F. Collier, J. J. Mardis.

Report of Committee on Temperance was received and adopted.

The report of the Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church was received and adopted.

Committee on Books and Periodicals made its report which was adopted.

The report of the Epworth League Board was presented and adopted. The report of the Sunday School Board was received and adopted.

The report of Board of Church Extension was submitted and, after being amended, was adopted.

The report of the Board of Education was read and adopted.

The report of Bible Society Board was received and adopted.

By a vote of the Conference, on the recommendation of the Board of Missions, Fred Little was recommended for appointment as Conference Secretary of Missions.

The Committee on Public Worship made announcements for Sunday, and announced Frank Barrett for missionary sermon tonight. Hoss made a brief and highly appreciated address to the Conference.

The minutes of the afternoon session were approved.

Arter several announcements the Conference adjourned with benedicby Bishop Hoss.

FIFTH DAY, DECEMBER 6, 1903,—AFTERNOON SESSION,

Conference met at 3 p. m. in Memorial Session, S. L. Cochran presid-

ing and conducting devotional services.

W. B. Hays, for the committee on Memoirs, read a tribute to the memory of Rev. J. J. Alexander; W. C. Davidson read a tribute to the memory of Rev. Richard M. Manly; M. M. Smith read a tribute to the memory of Rev. S. H. Babcoek and Rev. E. H. Wallis; J. D. Sibert read a

tribute to the memory of Sister L. A. Edwards, wife of Rev. J. R. Edwards. F. R. Noe, R. H. Grissett, S. D. Evans, J. F. Jernigan, M. M. Smith, W. M. Wilson, Z. T. Bennett, A. L. Malone, F. A. Jeffett, J. T. Self, F. Barrett, Z. D. Lindsey, S. L. Cochran, J. D. Sibert, J. H. Snyder, W. D. Ellis, and J. E. Godbey spoke tenderly of the lives and labors of our decorated brothern and sister. ceased brethren and sister.

Adjourned with benediction by S. L. Cochran.

EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by Bishop Hoss at 7:30 p. m. After a prayer by Bro. Benj. Morris, Bishop Hoss ordained Sidney H. Babcock and G. S. Morehead elders.

Bishop Hoss here read the following certificate of ordinations:

I hereby certify that, after the morning sermon, I did ordain Wilbur Love Oliver and James H. Griffin, traveling preachers; James W. Inomas Charles Wesley Lester, John P. Biggers, Benjamin A. Philips and Henry Smith, local preachers, deacons in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and at the evening hour I ordained Sidney H. Babcock and Gershom S. Morehead, traveling preachers, elders in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

E. E. Hoss. Love Oliver and James H. Griffin, traveling preachers; James W. Thomas

Walnut Ridge, Ark., Dec. 6, 1903.

A resolution of thanks introduced by J. W. Smith and R. C. Morehead was passed by unanimous vote of the Conference and visitors standing.

Resolution from Board of Church Extension was read and adopted. A communication was read, expressing the appreciation of the people, pastors, Churches and Sunday schools of the city, for the session of the Conference held here. Bishop Hoss replied in behalf of the Conference.

Question 46 was answered by the Bishop, after remarks appropriate to the occasion, by reading the appointments, when the Conference adjourned without a day with the benediction by Bishop Hoss.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Love Feast 9:30 a. m.—N. E. Skinner.

Bishop E. E. Hoss 11 a. m.—Deacons ordained.

Memorial Service 3 p. m.

Ordination of Elders at 7:30. Reading of appointments.

Presbyterian church, 11 a. m, Dr. J. E. Godbey. 7 p. m, F. A. Jeffett.

Baptist church 11 a. m, Fred Little. 7 p. m, J. K. Farris. Old Walnut Ridge 11 a. m, F. E. Taylor.

RESOLUTION—THANKS.

Resolved: That we, the White River Annual Conference in session, extend our heart-felt thanks to Bro. Fisackerly and all the other pastors and the general public of Walnut Ridge for their open homes and general ous hospitality while in their midst; that we express our gratitude to the county officials for the use of the court house in which to hold the sessions of our Conference; to the newspapers kindly reporting our proceedings; to the several railroads for reduced rates to and from the Conference; and that we wish to express our appreciation to Bishop Hoss for his impartial and efficient presidency; also to our faithful secretaries we wish to mani-J. W. SMITH, R. C. MOREHEAD. fest our gratitude.

RESOLUTION—CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the President and Members of the White River Conference: We, your Board of Church Extension, beg leave to submit the follow-

ing as a supplement to our report:

Resolved, that all applications coming to us for aid be in the hands of the secretary of the Board at least two weeks before the meeting of our Annual Conference, in due form signed by the Presiding Elder, P. C. and Trustees, as this will facilitate our work and save us from trouble. Respectfully submitted, December 6th, 1903,

M. B. UMSTED, Pres., P. B. WALLIS, Sec'y., T. A. BOWEN, Treas.

CONDENSED MINUTES.

Who are admitted on trial? Henry Smith, Edgar A. Blanton, John E. Kemper, John McKelvey, James G. Parker.
 Who remain on trial? David H. Conyers, C. W. Lester, J. W.

Thomas, C. H. Newman, C. L. Castleberry.

Who are discontinued? None.

Who are admitted into full connection? Wilbur L. Oliver, James H. Griffin.

5. Who are readmitted? None.

Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Cadesman Pope and S. F. Brown from the Little Rock Conference, H. G. Henderson from the St. Louis Conference, and C. P. Smith from the Arkansas Conference.

(Continued in Class of Third Year: W. A. Lindsey, R. A. Robertson,

I. D. McClure, F. P. Jernigan.)

7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. W. Gibson, J. D. Kelley, W. F. Rhew.

8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Wilbur Love Oliver and James Henry Griffin

What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Wilbur Love

Oliver and James Henry Griffin.

What local preachers are elected deacons? John W. Thomas,

Charles Wesley Lester, John P. Biggers, Benjamin A. Philips.

- What local preachers are ordained deacons? James W. Thomas, Charles Wesley Lester, John P. Biggers, Benjamin A. Philips, Henry Smith.
- 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? S. H. Babcock and G. S. Morehead.
- What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Sidney H. Bab-13. cock and Gershom S. Morehead.
 - What local preachers are elected elders? None. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

16. Who are located this year? No one.
17. Who are supernumerary? T. B. Williamson, Julien C. Brown,
E. N. Bickley, James Wilson, W. S. Southworth.

Who are superannuated? G. A. Dannelly, T. J. Settle, J. F. Armstrong, W. R. Foster, W. W. Anderson, S. D. Evans, W. A. Pendergrass, S. W. Register, J. D. Rutledge.

19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. J. Alexander,

R. M. Manly, S. H. Babcock, E. H. Wallis.

Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official admin-

Yes, except K. R. Durham.

- 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Local preachers-109.Members—23,619
 - 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 366. 23.How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,142.
 - 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 20 Senior—12 Junior. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,092.

What is the number of Sunday schools? 267. 26.

27. What is the number of Sunday school teachers? 1,718.

28. What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during Conference year? 14,968.

29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,500.

What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$2,142.88, distributed according to report of Joint Board.

What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$3,200.85.

Domestic, \$1,444.91.

What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,409.84. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$55.92.

34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$5,675.08. Preachers in Charge, \$40,853.71

What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$797,63. 35. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned Number of Societies 337. Number of Houses of Worship 2493.

37. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the indebtedness thereon? Value, \$251,436. Indebtedness, \$1,179.

38. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned

by them? Pastoral Charges 85. Number of Parsonages 72.
39. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$52,653. Indebtedness, \$1,548.

40. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of Districts 5. Number of District Parsonages 4.

41. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebte lness thereon? Value, \$6,357.50. Indebtedness, \$400.

42. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damages? Number of Churches Damaged, 5. Amount of Damages, \$1,035.

43. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance Carriel, \$62,725. Losses Sustained. Premiums Paid, \$494.65. Collections on Losses.

44. What are the educational statistics? One third interest in Galloway and Hendrix Colleges: value about \$150,000; number of students about 400.

Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Augusta, Arkansas.

46. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

APPOINTMENTS.

HELENA DISTRICT.

W. C. Davidson, P. E.

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Haynes circuit. W. A. Lindsey
Wheatley circuit W. A. Lindsey
Wheatley circuit W. P. Talkington Wesley circuit
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Tuckerman circuit	H. H. Hunt
Alicia circuit	J. M. Thrasher
Walnut Ridge station	T. W. Fisackerly
Portia circuit	G. S. Morenead
Black Rock and Powhatan	W. E. Hall
Smithville circuit	J. S. Watson
Mammoth Spring and Imboden	A. C. Cloyes
Pocahontas station	A. C. Granam
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BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

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Mt. View circuit
Melbourne circuit
Calico Rock circuit F. M. Smith
Viola and Bexar circuit
Salem and Camp
Ash. Flat circuit
Evening Shade circuit
Calamine circuit
Jacksonport circuit
Bethesda circuit
Student to Hendrix College
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Conference, J. W. Smith; To Arkansas Conference, W. H. Dyer and G.
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APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

To the President and Members of the White River Annual Conference,

Brethren:—We learn with gratitude to Almighty God that the year just passed has been one of progress in our missionary work at home and in the foreign field. The trend toward centralization of the population in cities and towns, which is being felt in the South as well as the North, presents a new problem at home, which your General Board is preparing to grapple with intelligently and earnestly. In the Orient, in China in particular, the great political obstacles which once obstructed and hampered our work have passed away and with their passing there has come an era of steady progress in the work of undermining the strongholds of superstition, oppression, and paganism. Our contingent in the field numbers above three hundred active workers, evangelists, pastors, native and foreign, doctors and teachers; these last are among the most important and efficient workers, both for present results and permanence, in the field. The Soochow University, the offspring of the great New Orleans Conference, is now a realized fact. The educational work which drills the way to the heart of the nation for the most effectual working of the Gospel is being pushed with fervor. In all the fields we have some ten colleges and seventy-six schools, and 13,000 church members. In view of the great need in the field, the General Board projected at its last meeting a Wesley bicentenary fund, asking for \$150,000 to strengthen its educational work.

The collections on the regular assessment for 1902 are reported in advance of the previous year, eleven Conferences in the connection having

paid their assessments in full.

Our part in this great work is to advance and steady the line, not in any spirit of emulation but from a sense of obligation and privilege. Our collections for foreign missions fall slightly below last year, Helena District alone paying in full, but there is a gratifying increase in the collections for domestic missions. We believe the missionary spirit to be of the essence of Christianity, and that its diligent propagation is the most fruitful and beneficent work of the Church. We therefore recommend:

1. That all pastors and people alike seek by fervent and continuous prayer for the blessing of Almighty God upon the missionary work at

home and abroad.

2. That the pastors by preaching often and specifically upon missions and by the diligent circulation of missionary literature, labor for the increase of missionary knowledge and of the missionary spirit.

3. That the disciplinary requirement that the Sabbath Schools shall

be made into missionary societies be observed by all.

4. That the Presiding Elders set apart an afternoon session of their District Conferences for the discussion of missions—of practical phases of the propaganda, and have one or more addresses, or a sermon on missions at night, provided for in advance.

5. That a small appropriation be set apart by this board for the purpose of sending out some pamphlets or leaflets containing information on

this matter.

6. That the pastors begin early in the year to raise their foreign missionary assessment.

The assessment of the General Board for 1904, for foreign missions is \$4,545.00 and of this board for domestic missions is \$1,690.00. Apportioned as follows:

DISTRICT.	FOREIGN.	DOMESTIC.
Helena	\$977 20	\$342 50
Jonesboro	977 15	342 50
Paragould	960 15	342 50
Searcy	960 15	342 50
Batesville	670 33	320 00

The following is the amount appropriated by the Board of Missions for 1904: \$1,550.00. Apportioned as follows:

HELENA DISTRICT:

Wheatley circuit	8 75 00
Wesley "	75 00
Blackton and Turner	75 00
Bledsoe circuit	50 00

JONESBORO DISTRICT:

Cotton Belt	50 00
Barfield	100 00
North Jonesboro	150 00

PARAGOULD DISTRICT:

Pocahontas circuit	50 00
	00 00
Knobel "	50 00
Reyno "	
	50 00
Maynard	50 00

SEARCY DISTRICT:

North Little Rock	150 00
Heber station	150 00

BATESVILLE DISTRICT:

Presiding Elder	400	00
Calico Rock circuit	50	00
Jacksonport circuit	25	00

J. K. FARRIS, Chairman. FRED LITTLE, Sec'y.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Board of Missions of the White River Conference: Your treasurer would submit the following report:

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	To balance on hand from last year	8	75	64	
	To cash received from interest	.A.	20		
	To cash received for domestic missions as follows	:		00	
	Helena District		347	51	
	Paragould "		306	-	
	Searcy "		298		
	Jonesboro "		287		
	Batesville "		205		
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FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Helena District		881	84
Paragould "		680	02
Searcy "		659	00
Jonesboro "		628	80
Batesville "		351	19
Total carried forward	\$4	742	00
Credit by amount to J. D. Hamilton	3	200	85
Balance in the treasury available for domestic			
missions,	1	541	15
Respectfully subr	nitt	ed,	
A. L.	M_A	LON	lΕ,
		Tre	asurer.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the Bishop and Members of the White River Conference:

We, your board of Church Extension, feel truly thankful to God for the degree of success which has attended our efforts during the past year. There has been during the year an increase in our collections over last

year of \$427.93.

We learn from the report of the General Board that during the twenty one years of the history of this institution the White River Conference has contributed to the assessments of the Board \$8,216.98 and to specials \$469.25, and during the same period the White River Conference has received in donations \$9,639.00, and in loans \$9,250.00. And now our Conference has about one hundred societies without houses of worship. Therefore this is a ground of appeal to the Church for an effort to raise the full amount of our assessment for the coming year.

The following amounts have been received for 1903:

Helena District	\$398	55
Jonesboro "	245	87
Paragould "	323	25
Searcy "	262	45
Batesville "	169	26

Total 1.394 38

We have remitted to the General Board \$694.72, and the half retained by our home Board has been donated to the following churches:

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McRae, White county, paid to F. R. Noe	100 00
Hoxie, Randolph county, paid to M. B. Umsted	75 00
Alicia, Jackson county, paid to M. B. Umsted	$65 \ 00$
Ravenden Spgs., Randolph Co., paid M. B. Umsted	d 65 00
Ash Flat, Sharp county, paid to Geo. Wilkerson	45 00
Oak Grove, White county, to P. B. Wallis	25 00
Pocahontas, Randolph Co., paid to A. C. Graham	75 00
Rock Cove, Lawrence Co., paid to F. P. Jernigan	25 00
Pangburn, White Co., to M. M. Smith,	25 00
Owen's Chapel, Green Co., to A. C. Griffin,	10 00
Corinth; Izard Co., to I. D. McClure,	45 00
Wynne, Cross Co., paid to J. K. Farris,	100 00
Shady Grove, Lawrence Co.; F. P. Jernigan	25 00
Brought forward	$500 \ 00$

Total \$380 00

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Incidentals, \$9.93; balance in hands of Treasurer The Assessment for the ensuing year is Apportioned to Helena District Apportioned to Paragould District Apportioned to Jonesboro District Apportioned to Searcy District Apportioned to Batesville District	\$400 00 400 00 400 00 350 00 285 00	\$493 1,835	
	,835 00		
Report submitted December 5, 1903. M. B. UMSTED, P. B. WALLIS, T. A. BOWEN,	Secretary	•	
REPORT OF JOINT BOARD OF F	INANC	E.	
To the Bishop and Members of the White River Confere DEAR BRETHREN: The Joint Board submits the to their findings and disbursements for the past Confer AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR BISHOP'S FU From the Helena District, From the Jonesboro District,	following rence year		as
From the Searcy District, From the Batesville District, From the Paragould District,	$95\ 75$ $167\ 00$		
Amount paid Smith & Lamar,	\$787 97 \$187 97		
AMOUNT REC'D AS DELEGATES EXPENSES TO GENE		ERENC	Œ.
From the Helena District, From the Jone boro District; From the Searcy District, From the Batesville District, From the Paragould District,	\$30 65 18 55 21 50 12 87 23 28		
Total, Amount paid§Smith & Lamar,	\$106 85 \$106 85		
AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR PRINTING MIX	NUTES		
From the Helena District From the Jonesboro District, From the Searcy District, From the Batesville District, From the Paragould District,	\$ 36 95 23 98 23 05 16 45 28 55		
Total, Amount paid to Z. T. Bennett,	\$133 99 \$ 133 99		
AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR BIBLE CAR			
From the Helena District, From the Jonesboro District, From the Searcy District, From the Batesville District, From the Paragould District,	\$ 16 50 7 15 11 90 7 15 14 22		
Total, Amount paid to American Bible Society,	\$56 92 56 92		

AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR From the Helena Distr From the Jonesboro Di	rict,	\$ 601 00 410 70
From the Searcy Distr	ict.	421 00
From the Batesville Di	istrict,	223 28
From the Paragould Di From the Publishing I	Strict,	476 90
From the Calvin Fund	Louse,	$\begin{array}{ccc} 00 & 00 \\ 10 & 00 \end{array}$
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D: 1	Total,	\$2,142 88
Disbursed as follows:		PAID TO
Bro. G. A. Dannelly,	\$80 00	Frank Barrett
Bro. T. J. Settle	75 00	J. J. Mardis
Bro. J. F. Armstrong Bro. S. D. Evans	$\begin{array}{ccc} 25 & 00 \\ 105 & 00 \end{array}$	self
Bro. F. M. Smith	$\frac{105}{25} \frac{00}{00}$	self self
Bro. W. A. Pendergrass	10 00	A. F. Skinner
Bro. W. R. Foster	80 00	A. M. R. Branson
Bro. W. W. Anderson	75 00	self
Sister W. L. King Sister M. C. Morris	85 00	Frank Barrett
Sister E, M. Baker	40 00 90 00	J. K. Malone
Sister Thomas Vincent	82 88	Frank Barrett E. M. Davis
Sister Ben Hall	50 00	W. E. Hall
Sister Thomas Craig	65 00	L. C. Craig
Sister Mary Peebles	80 00	F. A, Jeffett
Sister J. C. Ritter	80 00	J. K. Farris
Sister G. A. Schaeffer Sister W. H. Batton	35 00 50 00	sent by mail
Sister R. G. Brittain	100 00	F. A. Jeffett Frank Barrett
Sister J. J. Alexander	100 00	J. R. Metcalf
Sister D. W. Reid & 3 chil.	150 00	Frank Barrett
Sister J. M. Patton, 2 "	125 00	Frank Barrett
Sister H. M. Cryer, 3 " Sister John Fidson 4"	65 00	N. E. Gardner
Sister John Eidson, 4 " Sister W. B, Roe, 5 "	190 00	J. K. Malone
	95 00 125 00	A. C. Griffin
Bro. E. C. Castleberry's 2 "	60 00	J. K. Malone A. F. Skinner
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Total received from all sources,

\$3,228 61

The assessments for the ensuing year are apportioned as follows:

DISTRICTS	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS	BISHOPS FUND	DEL. EX. GEN. CONF	PRINTING
Helena Jonesboro Searcy Batesville Paragould	\$602 50 548 40 513 90 295 50 539 70	\$204 20 200 44 161 37 98 85 175 14	\$31 00 27 12 25 30 14 70 26 88	\$37 00 32 12 30 30 18 70 31 80
Total,	\$2,500.00	\$840.00	\$125.00	\$150.00

We find the following are claimants for the ensuing year:

Bros. G. A. Dannelly, T. J. Settle, J. F. Armstrong, S. D. Evans, W. A. Pendergrass. W. R. Foster, W. W. Anderson; Sisters J. J. Alexander, W. L. King, M. C. Morris, E. M. Baker, Thomas Vincent, Ben Hall. Thos. Craig, Mary Peebles, J. C. Ritter, R. G. Brittain, W. H. Batton, G. A. Schaeffer, D. W. Reid and three children, J. W. Patton and two children, H. M. Cryer and three children, John Fidson, and four children. W. R. H. M. Cryer and three children, John Eidson and four children, W. B. Roe's two children, Frank Ritter and four children, S. H. Babcock, and Bro. E. C. Castleberry's two children, J. D. Rutledge and S. W. Register and E. H. Wallis' one child.

The following recording stewards have made their report to this board: C. W. Shaver of Evening Shade Circuit, C. D. Metcalf of Bates-

ville Station, Batesville District.

J. R. METCALF, Secretary.

F. A. JEFFETT, Ch'Erman.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

We, your Board of Education, submit the following report: We rejoice at the success of the Correspondence School, and recommend that the examining committees of this Conference accept the certificates given by school in lieu of examinations.

We are very much gratified to have such a report as comes to us from Hendrix College. This institution is doing a great work for our Church in this State and should receive the hearty co-operation and assistance of all

our pastors and people.

Galloway College continues to prosper. Its work is now greatly hindered by a lack of room needel for those who desire to attend it. We hope that the day is not far distant when our people will add the other buildings that are now so much needed. We recommend:

First, That the second Sunday in January be observed as Galloway

Day in all the charges of this Conference.

Second, That Frank Barrett be elected to succeed W. B. Ricks as

Trustee of Galloway College.

Third. That J. K. Farris be elected Trustee of Hendrix College to succeed W. B. Ricks, and W. L. Jeffries be elected to succeed himself, and that M. M. Smith succeed himself.

Fourth, That W. B. Hays be continued as Secretary of the Confer-

ence Board of Education.

Fifth, That W. B. Hays and A. E. Holloway be appointed as a committee to confer with a similar committee from the other Conferences of the State with reference to a Preachers' Institute to be held at Hendrix College each year in harmony with the plans of the Correspondence School

Sixth, That R. C. Morehead be appointed as a committee to confer with a similar committee from the other Conferences of the State with reference to providing ways and means for the erection of additional buildings on the campus at Hendrix College that are now very much needed.

Seventh, That we heartily endorse Rev. D. J. Weems as agent for R. C. Moorehead, Chim. A. E. Holloway, Sec'y. Galloway College.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Received from the several charges on the general asse Received from Children's Day fund	essmen	ıt	\$908 76	97 40
Total DISBURSEMENTS. To J. D. Hammond for General Board To Stonewall Anderson for Hendrix College	\$344 640		985	37
Total disbursements ASSESSED FOR THE ENSUING YEAR	985	37		
For Hendrix College For General Board			\$920	00
For Paine & Lane Institute			220	
			100	00
Total APPORTIONED AS FOLLOWS:		\$	1,240	00
Helena District	\$292	50		
Jonesboro District	287			
Paragould District Searcy District	240	00		
Batesville District	275			
Dates vine District	145	00		
\$	1,240	00		
A. E. HOLLO			eas.	

REPORT OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

To the President and Members of the White River Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Epworth League Board respectfully submits the following report: We rejoice to report to you that this has been a very prosperous year for the Epworth League. The report of the General Secretary indicates that this has been the most prosperous year in the history of the organization. We are sorry that we cannot report that in our territory the League is so prosperous. We are gratified, however, that our Annual Conference League which was held in Jonesboro last June was a great success. The interest manifested in that Conference indicates that with a proper effort the Epworth League might be more successful in our territory.

The Epworth Era which has been established and endorsed by our General Conference has a very poor circulation among our people and among our pastors. The League Reading Course, the Bible Study Circle and the Institute course which have been provided for the help of our young people have not received a hearty reception among us and they have not been brought to the attention of our youth. The General Epworth League Board nor the Conference League Board has received the co-operation of our pastors in their efforts to establish the League cause in our midst.

If the Epworth Era was read by our pastors and people and the League Boards had the hearty co-operation of all concerned, that their plans might have a trial, this very important interest would soon justify its right to our attention and would prove itself a power for the extension of our Lord's Kingdom. We therefore recommend:

First, That as far as possible our pastors lend their influence to the extension of this important work.

Second, That all our pastors, if possible, become subscribers to the

Epworth Era, and

Third, That Chas. D. Metcalf be placed on the Epworth League Board in place of C. F. Cole, resigned.

W. M. WILSON, Ch'm.
A. E. HOLLOWAY, Sec'y.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

To the President and Members of White River Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Sunday school board have endeavored to make a careful survey of this very important part of church work, and are really glad to say that the interest is growing. We now have 267 schools, 1.718 officers and teachers and 14,968 pupils which is a good increase over last year. The increase in the circulation of our Sunday school literature is indeed gratifying, but still we do not believe it is near up to what it ought to be. We do most sincerely hope and urge upon every pastor to have a Bible Teachers Study Circle in his charge before the next session of our Conference. We are very glad to have had Dr. Hamil with us and greatly enjoyed his very stirring address before this body, and hope it will bear much fruit.

Children's Day was not observed as generally as usual Of the 85 appointments in the Conference only 21 have reported anything to this Board, and we regret to have to report a decrease in this collection. We

have received the following amounts by districts:

Jonosboro District Searcy District Batesville District Helena District Paragould District	\$22 22 9 24	26 288 91 470 398
Total	118	3 73
Paid 10 per cent to Board of Education 10 per cent General Board Dr. Hamil	1:	1 37 1 37 0 00
To	otal 3	2 74
Balance on hand Balance from last year Paid to needy schools Paid to Board of Education Paid to General Board	13 6 6	0 99 8 00 4 00 7 00 7 00

Your Board would respectfully request that W. M. Wilson and A. F. Skinner be added to the Board. Respectfully submitted T. B. WILLIAMSON, J. W. SMITH, Chairman.

REPORT ON SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CHURCH.

To the Bishop and Members of the White River Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN. We, your committee on the Spiritual State of the Church submit the following report:

While we recognize the vast importance of all the enterprises of the Church; the educational, financial, the missionary, Sunaay school and Epworth League movements, yet we believe the subject committed to us for consideration is fundamental and lies at the basis of all church work. This being so, we use this opportunity to emphasize the preaching of God's Word in such a way as that a distinct and personal conviction of sin and conversion will follow as the work of the Holy Spirit.

We note with pleasure the great number of conversions and accessions during the year, and this indicates to us that such preaching has been done throughout our Conference, for which we are most devoutly thankful, and pray the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all of our efforts to promote this work for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

JNO. T. SELF,

JAS. F. JERNIGAN,

Chairman.

REPORT ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

To the Bishop and Members of the White River Conference:

Secretary.

We, your Committee on Conference Relations submit the following as our report: We recommend that the following brethren be continued in the superannuated relation: G. A. Dannally, T. J. Settle, J. F. Armstrong, W. R. Foster, W. W. Anderson, S. D. Evans, and W. A. Pendergrass. Also that S. W. Register and J. D. Rutledge be placed in this relation.

We also recommend that T. B. Williamson, Julien C. Brown, E. N. Bickley, James Wilson and W. S. Southworth be placed in the supernumerary relation.

H. B. Cox,

W. F. RHEW, W. E. HALL, T. J. TAYLOR, A. F. SKINNER,

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

To the President and Members of the White River Conference:

We, your committee on Temperence, beg leave to submit the following report: We are gratified to note that there is a healthy growth in Temperance sentiments and convictions within the bounds of our Conference as well as throughout the State. We have reasons to believe that there is now less dram-drinking among moral respectable people, than ever before; and that drunkenness is constantly on the decrease.

We are not unmindful of the fact that intemperance is a dangerous, insidious foe, against which we must ever contend with the utmost vigor and vigilance; and that intemperate lives are made possible and easy in very many communities by the illegal sale of spiritous liquors; and in others by the licensed saloon.

We publish to the world that this Conference and our Church stands for the extirpation of the great evil of intemperance and every traffic, legal or illegal, which fosters it. We have noticed with deep humiliation what we regard as an abuse of the Executive power of our State in the pardons granted to violators of our temperance laws.

That we put forward as far as possible, during the next year, the cause

of temperance in our midst, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

First, That all our people abstain from the use of spiritous liquors and

all inebriating drugs.

Second, That our pastors see to it that at least one sermon is preached to every congregation in the Conference during the year.

Third, That we use our utmost influence to secure sober, temperate.

temperance men to fill the offices of the country.

Fourth, That we are in sympathy with every agency the object of which is the overthrow of the rum traffic; and as far as practicable we pledge ourselves to co-operate with every such agency, organized or unor-

ganized, working to this end.

Fifth, That we heartily indorse the measure introduced in the Congress of the United States of America by the Hon. R. Bruce Macon of the First Congressional District of Arkansas which provides that the Government of the United States shall not issue an internal revenue license to any person to sell liquor in a prohibited district in any State or Territory. We sincerely hope that this bill may become a law.

N. E. GARDNER, Chairman.

J. J. MARDIS, Secretary,

A. C. GRIFFIN,

A. CARTER, H. T. BLYTHE, R. H. GRISSET,

S. E. EVERET,

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOOKS & PERIODICALS.

To the President and Members of the White River Conference:

We, your communittee on Books and Periodicals, submit the following report: We acknowledge the receipt of samples of publications from our Publishing House and are gratified to report that all the publications ordered by our Church, so far as we are capable of judging, are well edited and published. The Christian Advocate is worthy of our best efforts for its wider circulation. as is also our Epworth Era, Quarterly Review and other publications. We note that there has been a small gain in the subscriptions, and a considerable gain in the collections for the Arkansas Methodist, which is our Conference organ, and which should be put in every Methodist home within our bounds. We endorse the editorial management of the Arkansas Methodist and urge our preachers to use their best efforts to put it in every Methodist home. We deprecate the circulation among our people of papers not in harmony with our church polity and that assail our ministry. We recommend the patronage of our Book House at Little Rock which sells all our publications at Nashville prices, and which is allowed the State of Arkansas as its field, by contract with

the Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn.
We recommend M. M. Smith, S. L. Cochran and W. M. Wilson as a Publishing Committee from the White River Conference, for the Arkan-

sas Methodist. Respectfully submitted,

R. C. MOREHEAD, Ch'm. FRANK BARRETT, Sec y.

REPORT OF BOARD ON BIBLE CAUSE.

To the President and Members of the White River Annual Conference:

We, your Board on Bible Cause, beg to submit the following report: It is no part of the work of this board to eulogise the Bible. The civilizing effect, the peace it has brought into the homes where it has gone,

the lives it has blessed and brightened, may tell its story.

While most all our homes are supplied with Bibles, and, many in the foreign fields have come under its influence; yet there are many parts of the world where the Word of God is unknown. We note with gratitude to God that recently the doors of Thibet have been opened to the Word of Light, while the heralds of the cross have not been admitted to enforce its

teachings.

We are not unmindful of the work the American Bible Society has done, and is doing in the free distribution of the Word of God where poverty would prevent it coming; Therefore, be it resolved that we as preachers comply with the law of our Church and report something from all our charges. Out of 85 charges in the Conference but 23 have reported anything during the year. Some of our best charges have not reported anything.

\$56.92 have been paid this year, making an increase over last year F. E. TAYLOR, Ch'm.

\$1.31. Respectfully submitted.

A. C. CLOYES, Sec'y

REPORT COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE JOURNALS.

To the Twenty-ninth Session of the White River Conference:

We, your committee on District Conference Journals, beg to report that we have carefully examined the records of all Districts composing the White River Conference, and find all of them to be neatly, accurately M. F. COLLIER, Ch'm Com. and correctly kept.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

The Arkansas Metholist Orphanage is the property of the three Conferences of this State. As receipts and expenses change daily, and as it is desirable that the reports to each of the three Conferences shall be uniform, we therefore take this exhibit from the minutes of the annual meeting of the Board held at the Orphanage, Oct. 28, 1903.

At the beginning of the year we had 9 chi dreu in the Orphanage: we

have received during the year 16 children, and placed 15, leaving 10 now

in our care.

Since the opening of the institution last year we have received 33

children into the Orphanage and placed 23 in homes.

The first child received into the Orphanage was little Jessie Miller. She soon became a permanent invalid, unable to walk, confined to an invalid chair, and requiring a special nurse. A few weeks ago we obtained a place for her in the Home for Incurables, St. Louis

While in the Orphanage the children of school age have been sent to the

Scott Street Public school, two squares away.

They all go to Church and Sunday school, and there is regular family prayer in the home.

Our matron, Mrs. Chas. Wightman, is all we could desire of a matron both as house keeper and governess.

Drs. Snodgrass and Dunaway give free medical service to the Orphanage. There has been no death in the Orphanage since it was established.

Last year we reported assets \$13,332.00. From this we deduct \$957.73 which is cancelled because of error in the reports made to us, duplicates and deaths.

By the agent, Rev. T. Notes taken Subscriptions	RECEIPTS. H. Ware cash collected	\$1 1	602 37 822	00
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	Total	\$1	653	22

ASSESTS. Deducting the \$957.73 of cancelled subscriptions, and adding notes not secured by the agent we have,

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\$12 446 00 The above report includes full expense of agent for the year, but not the subscriptions and cash collected by him since Oct. 28, which amounts to near \$800.00.

J. E. GODBEY, President. GEORGE THORNBURGH, Sec'y.

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IN MEMORIAM.

REV. SIDNEY H. BABCOCK.

Brother Babcock was born in the city of Macon, Ga., March 23, 1849. Converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when thirteen years of age. Was licensed to preach when 18 years old, and joined the North Georgia Conference in the year 1868. His first work was Hancock circuit, which had within its bounds the quiet home of Bishop Pierce. The wise counsel, gentle life and above all the consecrated purpose of this man of God was to Bro. Babcock like a light set upon a hill close by the eternal throne. In 1869 Bro. Babcock was transfered from the North Georgia to the Arkansas Conference, His first work in that Conference was Van Buren. This charge he served for three years, after which he received and did efficient work on the following charges: First Church, Ft. Smith, three years: Greenwood circuit, one year; Ft. Smith District, four years; Clarksville station, two years; Fayetteville District, two years; President of Quitman College three years, at the same time serving Morrilton District two years and Quitman station one year; Ft. Smith District Elected president of Galloway College in September of the two years. second year; President of Galloway College three years and then of Searcy College four years. After coming to Searcy he transferred to White River Was pastor of Augusta station for a few months; of Batesville for one and a half years. Bro. Babcock was chaplain of the Second Arkansas Regiment in the Spanish-American war from June '98 to March, '99. The rest of the year was spent in working for the Anti-Saloon League.

The last four years of Bro. Babcock's life were spent in serving Jonesboro District, falling at his post of duty at Crawfordsville, where he had

gone to hold a Quarterly Conference.

Oct. 5, 1893, he was ordained Deacon by Bishop Dogget, Elder by Bishop McTyeire and was selected by this Conference to represent it in the Gen-

eral Conference which met in Baltimore May, 1898.

In the above data we have a brief summary of the life of a good man, pre-eminently A GOOD MAN. How much of toil, labor, care, anxiety, suffering and joy may have been woven into this life, that dates and statements cannot reveal, is best known by the faithful wife, and will be fully made known in the bright unfoldings of future felicity.

Bro. Babcock was a man of strong convictions, fixed purpose, and at the same time of broad charity. He was a genuine and true Methodist, believing in the doctrines of his

Church and accepting its polity as both scriptural and expedient.

His strength and ability were shown when preaching against the popular evils of the day, his love and tenderness when preaching upon the love of God and inviting sinners to a loving Saviour. And the blessed Gospel he preached came from his heart as well as his head and was to him a solace and comfort at all times.

Bro. Babcock was a clean, neat man without any touch of vanity. He was a great preacher with an humble spirit and meek disposition. He was a true friend in the truest sense—he loved his brethren fervently and was correct and faithful in all his dealings with them, disposed not to look on his own things but on the things of another. We loved him, we honored him, we will cherish his memory as a priceless jewel and meet him in the General Conference above.

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REV. J. J. ALEXANDER.

Bro. Alexander was born May 22, 1830. He was converted at the age of sixteen and joined the M. E. Church, South. He was married to Miss Mary A. Fitzgerald on July 22, 1852, and in the following year moved to Arkansas. He was licensed to preach in January, 1869 and served the Church as a faithful local preacher for four years and was admitted on trial in the White River Conference at Forrest City, Arkansas, in 1873. He was granted a supernumery relation at the Conference of 1894 at Helena, Ark. After one year's rest he served two years and his name was then placed on the superannuated list.

He spent the remainder of his life at Barren Fork, Arkansas. During the session of the Conference held in Paragould in 1902, on December 4, while his brethren were being examined and having their characters passed, he was called into the presence of his Heavenly Father to receive the

reward of his labors and the gift of eternal life.

Bro. Alexander was noted for his deep piety, his honesty of purpose and for his love and faithfulness to his Church. He always loved his people and spent the years of his ministry in labors of love. There were 3,000 conversions under the ministry of this faithful servant of our Master. The secret of his power was in the Lord.

May the mantle of his strength be upon us, and may our last end like

his, for "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

We honor his memory and pray that the Holy Spirit may comfort his companion and lead her to a happy reunion with him in the Eternal City of our God.

REV. EDWARD HOWARD WALLIS.

Bro. Wallis was born in Prentice county, Miss., March 17, 1869; professed religion under the ministry of Rev. J. B. Stone in the year 1891; joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Moro, Ark., in the summer of 1895.

Bro. Wallis was a child of affliction all his life; never was a bad boy, always bright and cheerful, kind and affectionate, devoted to his aged parents and sisters. He was a loving father and affectionate husband.

Bro. Wallis joined the White River Conference at Paragould November, 1896, and was appointed to Golden Lake charge, serving it for three years—1897-98-99; Haynes charge, 1900-01; Bledsoe charge, 1903; Heber, 1903, or until October 26, when he was called home.

1903, or until October 26, when he was called home.
Ordained Deacon at Clarendon by Bishop H. C. Morrison, December,
1898. Ordained Elder at Jonesboro by Bishop C. B. Galloway Dec., 1900.

Bro. Wallis was educated and eloquent, an attractive preacher, a faithful and industrious pastor. At the time of his death he was closing a most successful year's work—his people loved him dearly and were led to deeper consecration and greater activity under his ministry. At the time of his death he was busily engaged in building a church which had been destroyed by a storm in the first part of the year. He shunned no work that his people had to do. His death was sudden and unexpected—he fell at his post and in the midst of labors abundant. His people mourn their loss. He has gone to his reward. God buries his workmen but carries on his work.

SISTER L. A. EDWARDS,

Nee Dodson, wife of Rev. J. R. Edwards, was born June 18, 1846 and was married to Bro. Edwards December 23, 1884; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in Tennessee in the year 1858; died Dec.

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23, 1902, while on the way to their new work—Mitchell's Point circuit. She was a consecrated Christian and was ever ready to go with her hus-

band to his appointments and help him in his meetings.

Her last words were to sing, "I Have Anchored My Soul in the Haven of Rest." She has gone to the City of Mansions to await the coming of loved ones who mourn their loss, We shall not meet her at our annual gatherings here again, but we shall see her in the great Conference above, where each faithful follower of Christ shall hear the welcome applaudit "Well done good and faithful servant, enter into the joys of thy Lord."

REV. RICHARD M. MANLY.

Rev. Richard M. Manly, second son of Rev. J. Adison and Mary A. Manly was born April 4, 1831, near Petersburg, Va., and died October 2,

1903, at Brinkley, Ark.

In early life he moved with his parents to Oakland, Fayette county. Tenn. Thursday evening, September 7, 1854 at the home of George G, Durham, Bluff Creek, Tenn., he was happily married to Margaret G. Durham, and five children were born unto them, two dying when they were little boys 8 and 9 years old, Brownlow and Bascom.

Three children are yet living—Mrs. Maggie C. Folsom and C. Boswell Manly, of Brinkley, Arkansas, and their youngest, I. B. is pastor of the

M. E. Church, South, Saint Clair, Missouri.

The subject of this sketch was converted and joined the Methodist Church in early life, for many years was a classleader and exhorter; reared his children, by the efficient help of his good and noble wife, upon a farm in Cross county, Arkansas, where the family altar was the pillar of that

unpretentious home, around which clusters the holiest memories.

He served God in the humblest places, and did not consent to be licensed to preach until about 1880 or '81. From that time he desired appointments of the lowliest rank. In 1881 and '82 he did home mission work on Languille and in '83-4 he preached in and about the "Jerico" settlement. December, '84 he joined the White River Conference at Batesville, Ark., and was ordained Elder Sunday night, Dec. 20, 1891, at Newport, by Bishop W. W. Duncan. His brief ministry was during the following years at the places named: In 1885, Spring Creek; '86, Oak Forrest: '87-8. Cypress Ridge; 89 90. Weldon; 91, Melbourne, and in '9., Blytheville, at which place on May 13, he lost Margaret, the fond an faithful wife of his youth. Sorrow stricken he toiled on during the sorbing, sultry summer till September 2, 1893 he was paralyzed, from which he never recovered, but lived in almost uninterrupted misery for eleven years, mostly seated in his chair and wept almost continually except at night when asleep. He craved and prayed to die. Oct. 2, 1903 at his home in Brinkley, with his daughter and elder son, he fell asleep in the faith and love of our Lord Jesus Christ, and his beautiful, immortal spirit sped away to heaven to rest with his God, and he weeps no more. Some one said of him, that "He was a faithful soldier of the cross." He was a good and noble father, and loved us with a love that sorrow and affliction could not abate, but it grew stronger and tenderer during the years.

Like many others, sorrow's storms swept his life, but his sun went down amid the beauties and honor of old age, undimmed by a cloud. He laid down the cross, picked up the crown and passed across the river to

rest beyond the sunset's radiant glow. His children.

MRS. MAGGIE C. FOLSOM,

C. Boswell Manley, Brinkley, Ark. I. B. MANLEY, Saint Clair, Mo.

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The Queen City of the Valleys.

Walnut Ridge, Ark., the Queen City of the Valleys, is located on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad and the St. Louis and San Francisco. It has about 1-800 inhabitants, more substantial brick houses, does much larger merchandising, buying and selling cotton and all

other materials than any other Town in the County.

It lies in the magnificent valley of the Black and Cache Rivers, and the fertility of its soil is unsurpassed, surrounding it by as fine farming land as can be found in the State. It is the County Seat for the Eastern District of Lawrence County, Arkansas, and has a magnificent new pressed brick Court House, at a cost of \$25,000. The Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians have beautiful churches. House at this place would do credit to a town of double the Two good Banks; Street car line to Hoxie, an population. Electric street railway to Hoxie, one and a half miles south and an Electric Light Plant are now in course of construc-Fair grounds, Ice factory, handle factory, two large system cotton gins, telephone system, home and long dis-The Phœnix Cotton Oil Company of Memphis have just completed an eighty-ton cotton seed oil mill. bull Wagon Company of Defiance, Ohio, have just completed and begun the operation of a large wagon factory. Large lumber yards and planing mills are in operation. cotton shipments 10,000 to 12,000 bales. The erection of a fifteen thousand dollar school building will be begun at once. There is not a town in the State with a better location geographically nor one that excels in railroad facilities.

For further information write to H. L. Ponder, Secretary of the Business Men's League, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

MEMBERSHIP, BAPTISMS AND CHURCH PROPERTV FOR 1903.

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MEMBERSHIP, BAPTISMS AND CHURCH PROPERTY FOR 1903.

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EPWORTH LEAGUES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

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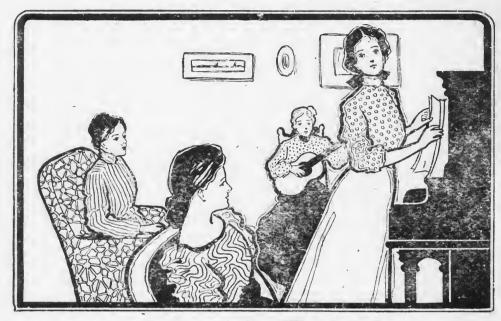
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